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Mr. A. Ranganatha Mudaliyar :—" At what state are they now ? "

The hon. Mr. A. Y. G. Campbell :—" The Government have decided not to adopt them."

Revenue Establishments

Age-limit for the appointments of Sub-Magistrates and Tahsildars.

* 1049 *Q.*—Mr. P. Siva Rao : Will the hon. the Member for Revenue be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether there is any minimum age-limit fixed for the appointments of Sub-Magistrates and Tahsildars in the public service ;

(*b*) if so, what is the age-limit ; and

(*c*) why the Government considered it necessary to impose such a restriction ?

A.—(*a*), (*b*) & (*c*) There is no maximum or minimum age-limit prescribed for appointment to such posts by promotion.

Secretariat

Appointment of Under Secretary to Government.

* 1050 *Q.*—Khan Bahadur S. K. Abdul Razack Sahib Bahadur : Will the hon. the Member for Revenue be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether the posts of Under Secretary to Government are reserved to members of the Indian Civil Service ; and

(*b*) whether the Government have under consideration the appointment of a Muslim Indian Civil Service as Under Secretary ?

A.—(*a*) The posts of Under Secretary to Government are included in the cadre of the Indian Civil Service.

(*b*) No.

Special Test Examinations

Holding of the village officers' examination twice a year.

* 1051 *Q.*—Mr. A. Ranganatha Mudaliyar : Will the hon. the Member for Revenue be pleased to state—

(*a*) from what date the Special Test Examinations have been held twice a year ; and

(*b*) whether the village officers' examinations also are held twice a year ; and, if not, why not ?

A.—(*a*) From the year 1923.

(*b*) No. Yearly examinations have been found to be sufficient.

Mr. A. Ranganatha Mudaliyar :—" Is it not a fact that every year a number of people are kept out of appointment, because they do not qualify themselves in time ? Would not such cases become less and less if there are two examinations every year ? "

The hon. Mr. A. Y. G. Campbell :—" It is very probable ; but I doubt whether holding the examination itself held twice a year instead of once a year would diminish the number of such persons."